

Mr Harold Weisberg:
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Dear Mr Weisberg:

Congratulations on your book. I know what a tremendous amount of work it must have been. It's just too bad the Commission didn't have the time or the inclination to do the analysis you have done of their own information.

I have read Inquest and I feel your book is much more substantial and goes into greater depth. I am just a private citizen who has remained disturbed about the curtain erected between the truth about the assassination and the public. It was obvious to me from the moment Oswald was arrested that there was something strange about his being discovered that quickly by what seemed to be a fluke meeting between him and Tippit.

From that time on I have viewed with skepticism all of the official reports of what happened. I read both Buchanan books, Joesten's book, the Esquire article, Fox' book and miscellaneous articles.

From your analysis, I gather you believe that the shots could have come from a second story window of the building next to the Depository building, and from

the grassy knoll. The fake Oswald was meanwhile drawing attention to the Depository window by extending a rifle all the way out of the window and subsequently dropping the shells on the floor where they would be found.

Just think what a really competent, unbiased professional investigating group could do given plenty of time. New witnesses, new interviews with old witnesses, new evidence should be easy to turn up. Sooner or later, Ruby or one of the conspirators is bound to give up and confess the whole mess. Right now they all feel safe because of the Commission's Report.

Your book being published by a responsible firm would shake them up a little.

What can an independent private citizen do? Is any Congressional body interested yet in doing something? Who has been aroused by your book? Surely, the truth can no longer be buried about the event which has changed our entire moral climate, our path through history and our foreign and domestic policy, more than any other in recent decades.

Sincerely

R. E. Sprague

P.S. Please write to me at the 80 Pine St address if you do answer. My wife thinks I'm a kook on this subject.